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Group Art Unit: 3643

Serial No.: 10/804,273

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Title: AUTOMATED POULTRY PROCESSING METHOD AND SYSTEM**Mail Stop Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents

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We are transmitting the following documents along with this Transmittal Sheet (which is submitted in triplicate):

☒ **Small entity status is entitled to be asserted in the above-identified application.**☒ An itemized return postcard.☐ A Petition for Extension of Time for __ month(s) and a check in the amount of \$__ for the required fee.☒ An Information Disclosure Statement (2 pgs), copies of 0 applications; 1449 form (1 pg); and copies of 4 documents cited on the 1449 form.☐ A request for continued examination (RCE) and a check in the amount of \$__, for the required filing fee.☐ An Appeal Brief and a check in the amount of \$__, for the required Appeal Brief filing fee.☐ A check in the amount of \$__, representing __.☐ A certified copy of a __ application, Serial No. __, filed ____, the right of priority of which is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.☒ Other: Copies of two International Search Reports and Written Opinions (19 pgs).☐ Amendment ☐ No Additional fee is required. ☐ The fee has been calculated as shown:

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| | Pending Claims after Amendment (1) | Claims Paid for Earlier (2) | Number of Additional Claims (1-2) | Cost per Additional Claim | Additional Fees Required |
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| Independent Claims | | | | x \$100 = | |
| One or More New Multiple Dependent Claims Presented? If Yes, Add \$180 Here → | | | | | |
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Please consider this a PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME for a sufficient number of months to enter these papers and please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-4895. Triplicate copies of this sheet are enclosed.

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

In compliance with the duty imposed by 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, and in accordance with C.F.R. §§ 1.97 *et. seq.*, the materials enclosed herewith are brought to the attention of the Examiner as possibly being of interest in connection with the above-identified patent application. Per M.P.E.P. § 609, the information cited in the present Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed to be an admission that the information is, or is considered to be, material to patentability. Consideration of each of the documents listed on the attached 1449 form is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. §609, Applicant further requests that a copy of the 1449 form, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, be returned with the next Official Communication.

Applicant also wishes to bring the Examiner's attention two International Search Reports which were received in counterpart files. Copies of the International Search Reports and Written Opinions are provided herewith. The documents listed in the International Search Reports which were not of record have been provided herewith on the current 1449 form.

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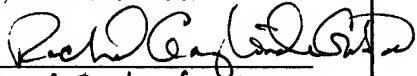
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The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' Representatives at the below-listed telephone number, if they can be of any assistance during prosecution of the present application.

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